

TO THE JUDGES OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS:

Defendant, Mascot Petroleum Company, Inc. a Subsidiary of Sunoco, Inc. (R & M) ("Sunoco"), respectfully submits that:

- On or about March 17, 2005, Sunoco was served with a Summons and Complaint 1. in a matter entitled Scott Siegal v. Mascot Petroleum Company, Inc. A Subsidiary of Sunoco, Inc. (R & M), Civil Action No. 05-0352, which was filed in Massachusetts Superior Court, Essex County. On March 17, 2005, Defendant also received a Tracking Order associated with this case.
- 2. The process, pleadings, and orders served upon Sunoco to date in this matter, copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit A, are as follows:
 - a. Summons;
 - b. Complaint; and

Defendant has been improperly named in this case as "Mascot Petroleum Company, Inc. a Subsidiary of Sunoco, Inc. (R & M)." In fact, Mascot Petroleum Company, Inc. is a division of Sunoco, Inc. (R&M).

- c. Tracking Order.
- 3. This Court has original jurisdiction over this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1332, because there is diversity of citizenship, all of the parties being of different states. In paragraph 2 of Plaintiff's Complaint, he states he is a resident of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Mascot Petroleum Company Inc. is a division of Sunoco. Sunoco is a corporation, which is incorporated in Pennsylvania and has its principal place of business in Pennsylvania. Further, Plaintiff has alleged causes of action, the potential recovery for which exceeds the \$75,000 jurisdictional prerequisite, exclusive of interest and costs.
 - 4. Accordingly, this action is removable to this Court under 28 U.S.C. § 1441.
- 5. Sunoco will notify the Essex Superior Court and all adverse parties of this Notice of Removal by filing with the Superior Court a Notice of Filing of Notice of Removal. A copy of that notification, which will be sent to the Essex Superior Court, is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

Respectfully submitted,

MASCOT PETROLEUM COMPANY, INC. A DIVISION OF SUNOCO, INC. (R & M)

By its attorneys,

David J. Kerman (BBO #269370)

Richard W. Paterniti (BBO #645170)

JACKSON LEWIS LLP

75 Park Plaza

Boston, Massachusetts 02116

(617) 367-0025

Dated: April 1, 2005

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that on April 1, 2005, a copy of the foregoing document was served upon Plaintiff's attorney, Johannes Z. Zlahn, The Law Offices of Regan Associates Chartered, 45 School Street, Third Floor, Boston, MA 02108, by first-class mail, postage prepaid.

Jackson Lewis LLP

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT - You need not appear personally in court to answer the complaint, but if you claim to have a defense, either you or your attorney must serve a copy of your written answer within 20 days as specified herein and also file the original in the Clerk's Office. (TO PLAINTIFF'S ATTO.....EY: Please Circle Type of Action Involved: - ORT - MOTOR VEHICLE TORT - CONTRACT - EQUITABLE RELIEF - OTHER.)

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

ESSEX, ss.

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SCOTT SIEGAL , Plaintiff(s)

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MASCOT PETROLEUM COMPANY, INC.

A SUBSIDIARY OF SUNOCO, INC. (R&M)

SUMMONS

To the above named Defendant:

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon Johannes Z. Zlahn, Esq.

Regan Associates, Chartered

plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 45 School St. 3rd Fl. Boston, MA 02018, an answer to the

complaint which is herewith served upon you, within 20 days after service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the

day of service. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the

complaint. You are also required to file your answer to the complaint in the office of the Clerk of this court at

either before service upon plaintiff's attorney or within a reasonable time thereafter.

Unless otherwise provided by Rule 13 (a), your answer must state as a counterclaim any claim which you may have against the plaintiff which arises out of the transaction or occurrence that is the subject matter of the plaintiff's claim or you will thereafter be barred from making such claim in any other action.

WITNESS, Esquire, at Salem, the 7th day of March , in the year of our Lord two thousand five

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NOTES:

1. This summons is issued pursuant to Rule 4 of the Massachusetts Rules of Civil Procedure.

2. When more than one defendant is involved, the names of all defendants should appear in the caption. If a separate summons is used for each defendant, each should be addressed to the particular defendant.

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SUMIMONS (Mass. R. Civ. P. 4)

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

ESSEX, ss.

ESSEX SUPERIOR COURT C.A. NO.:

SCOTT SIEGAL,

Plaintiff

vs.

MASCOT PETROLEUM COMPANY., INC.
A SUBSIDIARY OF SUNOCO, INC. (R&M),

Defendant

COMPLAINT AND JURY CLAIM

INTRODUCTION

1. This civil action arises out of the employment of the Plaintiff, Scott Siegal (hereinafter "the Plaintiff") by the Defendant, Mascot Petroleum Company, Inc., a subsidiary of Sunoco, Inc. (R&M) (hereinafter "the Defendant"). The complaint is in two counts, seeking money damages and other relief on account of the Defendant's discriminatory treatment and termination of the Plaintiff. The claims include discrimination on the basis of race and unlawful/wrongful termination.

THE PARTIES

- 2. The Plaintiff is an adult residing at 9 Abbott Road, Gloucester, Essex County, Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
- 3. The Defendant is a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Pennsylvania, with a principal place of business at Ten Penn Center, 1801 Market Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

4. The Plaintiff brings this action pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws ("M.L.G.") Chapter 151B, Sections 4 and 9, for money damages to compensate him for the economic loss and other damages caused by the unlawful employment action taken against him by the Defendant because of his race.

- On March 15, 2004, the Plaintiff filed a complaint with the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination ("MCAD"), alleging that the Defendant discriminated against him on the basis of his race by terminating his employment and replacing him with a member of another race.
- The Plaintiff brings this action after more than ninety (90) days have elapsed from the time he originally filed his complaint of discrimination with the MCAD. Thus, the Plaintiff has satisfied all prerequisites to suit under M.G.L. Chapter 151B.
- 7. The Plaintiff began his employment with the Defendant in December, 2002 as a sales associate. From the date of his employment until April 8, 2003, the Plaintiff performed his job responsibilities satisfactorily and received no warnings, reprimands, or suspensions.
- In or about February, 2003, a co-worker told the Plaintiff that an individual named Ishmael was returning to the United States "to get his job back." The co-worker then said to the Plaintiff "watch your back I've seen this sort of thing before, people will be falsely accused. One of us will be fired."
- 9. On April 8, 2003, the Plaintiff was involved in an accident and suffered back injury. Although he was experiencing pains in his back, the Plaintiff went to work on that day. Approximately two hours after he began his shift, the Plaintiff experienced increased pains and went to the hospital.
- 10. When he returned from the hospital on April 8, 2003, the Plaintiff provided his manager with a doctor's note, advising that the Plaintiff must remain out of work for two days.
- 11. On April 10, 2003, the Plaintiff was reevaluated by his doctor and was ordered to remain out of work until April 14, 2003. After another reevaluation of the Plaintiff on May 5, 2003, his doctor ordered him to remain out of work until May 11, 2003.
- 12. On May 6, 2003, the Plaintiff's manager terminated his employment on the ground that he had a cash shortage of \$23.00.
- On information and belief, Ishmael is a Parkistani Muslim and the Plaintiff's manager is an Egytian Muslim.
- 14. Two days after the Plaintiff was terminated by the Defendant, Ishmael was hired to replace the Plaintiff.
- 15. In or about May, 2003, the Plaintiff filed a complaint with the Defendant's ethics department, alleging that his manager had discriminated against him on the basis of his race. The Defendant promised to conduct an investigation and furnish the Plaintiff with its findings but failed to do so.

- 16. On information and belief, the Plaintiff was terminated in order for Ishmael to be employed.
- 17. On information and belief, the Plaintiff was terminated because he is a white person and the manager wanted tore place him, and did replace him, with a nonwhite person.

COUNT I-M.G.L. c. 151B-DISCRIMINATION BASED ON RACE

- 18. The Plaintiff adopts and incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 17 of his complaint as set forth in full.
- 19. The Defendant, through the actions of its agents and employees acting within the course and scope of their employment, discriminated against the Plaintiff based on his race and national origin by terminating his employment, in violation of M.G.L. c. 151B.
- As a direct result and foreseeable consequence thereof, the Plaintiff suffered loss of income and employment benefits, suffered other pecuniary and non-pecuniary losses and suffered humiliation, embarrassment and emotional and mental distress.
- 21. The Defendant, through the actions of its agents and employees acting within the course and scope of their employment, committed the above-described acts maliciously, with the wrongful intention of injuring the Plaintiff, and acted with improper and evil motive amounting to malice, and in conscious disregard of the Plaintiff's rights.
- 22. Because the actions taken towards the Plaintiff were carried out in a despicable, deliberate, cold, callous and intentional manner, with malice in order to injure the Plaintiff, the Plaintiff is entitled to punitive damages in an amount to be determined at trial.

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiff demands judgment against the Defendant on each count, and demands that damages be established and Plaintiff be awarded same, together with costs, interest and reasonable attorney's fees.

COUNT II—UNLAWFUL/WRONGFUL TERMINATION

- 23. The Plaintiff adopts and incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 22 of his complaint as set forth in full.
- 24. During the course of his employment with the Defendant, the Plaintiff performed his job responsibilities in a satisfactory manner and otherwise capably performed all tasks assigned to him.

- The Defendant, through the actions of its agents and employees acting within the 25. course and scope of their employment, unlawfully and wrongfully terminated the Plaintiff's employment in order to replace him with a nonwhite person. The Plaintiff's termination was unlawful and wrongful because it was based on his гасе.
- As a direct result and foreseeable consequence thereof, the Plaintiff suffered loss 26. of income and employment benefits, suffered pecuniary and non-pecuniary losses and suffered emotional and mental distress.

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiff demands judgment against the Defendant on each count and demands that damages be established and the Plaintiff be awarded same, together with costs, interest and reasonable attorney's fees.

> Plaintiff, Scott Siegal By his attorney,

Regan Associates, Chartered

Johannes Z. Zlahn (BBO# 565218-B) 45 School Street, Third Floor

Boston, MA 02108

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CIVIL DOCKET# ESCV2005-00352-D

RE: Siegal v Mascot Petroleum Company Inc et al

TO: Johannes Z Zlahn, Esquire 45 School Street Third Floor Boston, MA 02108

TRACKING ORDER - F TRACK

You are hereby notified that this case is on the **fast (F) track** as per Superior Court Standing Order 1-88. The order requires that the various stages of litigation described below must be completed not later than the deadlines indicated.

STAGES OF LITIGATION

DEADLINE

Service of process made and return filed with the Court Response to the complaint filed (also see MRCP 12) All motions under MRCP 12, 19, and 20 filed All motions under MRCP 15 filed All discovery requests and depositions completed All motions under MRCP 56 served and heard Final pre-trial conference held and firm trial date set Case disposed	05/31/2005 07/30/2005 07/30/2005 07/30/2005 12/27/2005 01/26/2006 02/25/2006 04/26/2006
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The final pre-trial deadline is <u>not the scheduled date of the conference</u>. You will be notified of that date at a later time.

Counsel for plaintiff must serve this tracking order on defendant before the deadline for filing return of service.

This case is assigned to session D sitting in CtRm 2 (Lawrence) at Essex Superior Court.

Dated: 03/03/2005

Thomas H. Driscoll Jr. Clerk of the Courts

BY: Philip Massa Assistant Clerk

Location: CtRm 2 (Lawrence) Telephone: (978) 687-7463

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SCOTT SIEGAL, · Plaintiff,	
vs. MASCOT PETROLEUM COMPANY, INC. A SUBSIDIARY OF SUNOCO, INC. (R & M) Defendant.	Docket No. 05-0352

NOTICE OF FILING OF NOTICE OF REMOVAL

To: Civil Clerk's Office
Essex County Superior Court
43 Appleton Way
Lawrence, MA 01841

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Notice of Removal in the above action from the Superior Court, Essex County, has been duly filed in the U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts. Attached hereto as Exhibit A is a certified copy of that Notice of Removal.

Respectfully submitted,

MASCOT PETROLEUM COMPANY, INC. A DIVISION OF SUNOCO, INC. (R & M) By its attorneys,

David J. Kerman (BBO #269370) Richard W. Paterniti (BBO #645170) JACKSON LEWIS LLP 75 Park Plaza Boston, Massachusetts 02116 (617) 367-0025

Dated: April _____, 2005

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that on April, 2005, a copy of the foregoing document was served upon Plaintiff's attorney, Johannes Z. Zlahn, The Law Offices of Regan Associates Chartered, 45 School Street, Third Floor, Boston, MA 02108, by first-class mail, postage prepaid.
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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

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CIVIL COVER SHEET

The JS 44 civil cover sheet and the information contained herein neither replace nor supplement the filing and service of pleadings or other papers as required by law, except as provided by local rules of court. This form, approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States in September 1974, is required for the use of the Clerk of Court for the purpose of initiating the civil docket sheet. (SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE REVERSE OF THE FORM.)

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